GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2688
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2004
GAUGE CONVERSION IN U.P.
Pathak Shri Brajesh

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway lines in the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh whose gauge conversion is yet to be done;

(b) the length of railway lines converted into broad gauge during the Ninth Five Year Plan and the expenditure incurred thereon, State-wise;

(c) the target fixed for gauge conversion during the Tenth Plan particularly in Uttar Pradesh;

(d) the details of the sections where projects are likely to be completed by the end of the current financial year;

(e) whether there is any proposal for additional funds for early completion of this project; and

(f) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (f) : A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2688 BY SHRI BRAJESH PATHAK TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 16.12.2004 REGARDING GAUGE CONVERSION IN U.P.

(a): The Railway lines have been categorized gaugewise, groupwise and sectionwise. They are not categorized as number of meter gauge /narrow gauge line. As on 1.4.2003, 17500 route kms of Meter Gauge/Narrow Gauge lines were existing in the country out of which 1771 kms were in Uttar Pradesh.

(b) : The State-wise breakup of gauge conversion completed during the 9th Plan is as under:

Gauge conversion

STATE	Kms
ANDHRA PRADESH	214
ASSAM	186
BIHAR	139
GUJARAT	187
KARNATAKA	220
MADHYA PRADESH	50
MAHARASHTRA	264
RAJASTHAN	102
TAMIL NADU	526
UTTAR PRADESH	155
UTTRANCHAL	60
TOTAL	2103

(c): The targets for completion of projects are being fixed on yearly basis depending upon progress of project and availability of resources. Agra-Bandikui falling partly in Uttar Pradesh is targeted for completion during 2004-05.

(d): Information is given as under:

Section:	Length in Kms
Mansi – Saharasa	44
Bharatpur – Agra Fort of Agra Fort – Bandikuin	53
Udaipur – Chhitaurgarh of Ajmer-Udaipur	108
Samuktala – New Bongaigaon of New Jalpaiguri-New Bongaigaon	78
Manoharabad – Nizamabad of Secunderabad-Mudkhed	118
Adilabad – Kinwat of Mudkhed Adilabad	45
Gondia-Balaghat of Jabalpur – Gondia	48
Ranchi-Lohardaga	67
Rupsa-Baripada of Rupsa Bangriposi	52
Bankura- Sonamukhi of Bankura-Damodar River railway line	42
Madurai – Manamadurai of Madurai – Rameshwaram	48
Thanjavur-Thiruvarur of Trichy-Nagaur -Karaikal	55
Subramanya Road- Sakleshpur of Hassan-Mangalore	55
Bijapur – Bagalkot of Bijapur Gadag	94
Sihor-Palitana of Surendernagar – Pipavav	27
Barsoi-Radhikapur of Jogbani-Katihar-Radhikapur	53
Viramgam – Mehsana of Bhildi – Viramgam (Build Own Transfer)	65
Total:	1052

(e) & (f): The funds as required for completion of the project would be provided through re-appropriation during budgetary reviews.